

REMARKS

As discussed with the Examiner in a telephonic interview on October 31, 2008, the Examiner has confirmed that claim 21 is properly grouped in only Group II, and claim 31 is properly grouped in only Group III, in contrast to their initial groupings as set forth in the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2008. Accordingly, responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2008 and the Examiner's comments of October 31, 2008, Applicants hereby elect the invention of **Group I (claims 1, 3-10, 12-14, 16-18, 27-29 and 39)**, drawn to a method.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

No fee is deemed necessary with the filing of this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that are required, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 07-1896 referencing the above-identified attorney docket number.

Respectfully submitted,

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